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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: RM-11683, IB Docket No. 12-340, DA 12-1863

Dear Ms. Dortch:

As a native of the Washington, DC area, I've come to enjoy a front-row seat for the countless political battles that have ensued on both Capitol Hill and within various industry sectors. Rarely do those shenanigans prompt me to take personal action, but today I am compelled to write to you on behalf of LightSquared and the company's application for license modification.

For months, I have observed the back-and-forth between the GPS industry and the company over potential interference issues resulting from GPS receivers listening into LightSquared's licensed spectrum. While I applaud the Commission's willingness to protect the critical functions that GPS provides not only to us as consumers but also to the various government agencies utilizing GPS services, I'm now convinced that the FCC must do its best to broker a compromise that will allow us to have both a robust GPS system as well as the promising wholesale competition that LightSquared can provide.

In my many years of watching inside-the-Beltway policy fights, I must admit that I have found LightSquared's willingness to try to accommodate GPS interests admirable. You have to hand it to the company. Its latest proposal to voluntarily relinquish its authority to use its own licensed spectrum in order to provide a guard band to protect the GPS industry is yet another example of the firm's commitment to build a game-changing wireless network that should benefit all of America. To give up 10 MHz of spectrum in an attempt to gain access to less spectrum via a shared relationship with the government seems to me a no-brainer for the FCC. I urge you to approve the company's application.

Sincerely,

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